

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Cancelled).
2. (Currently Amended) A color proof forming apparatus comprising:  
a plurality of light sources having different wavelengths and emitting light beams  
by which a color light-sensitive material is exposed;  
an image processor, which receives image data for a plurality of colors including  
black, and forms exposure data; and  
a controller, which controls the plurality of light sources according to the  
exposure data formed by the image processor,  
wherein the image processor forms different exposure data for image data in  
which black and another color overlap, than for image data of black only, and  
~~The color proof forming apparatus of claim 1, wherein the image processor forms the~~  
~~data for different exposure data so that results in a higher density black color than in the~~  
~~case of the image data of only the black color is being generated in [[a]] the color light-~~  
~~sensitive material for the image data in which [[the]] black color and the other colors are~~  
~~overlapped with each other~~another color overlap, than that generated for the black-only  
image data.
3. (Currently Amended) A color proof forming apparatus comprising:

a plurality of light sources having different wavelengths and emitting light beams  
by which a color light-sensitive material is exposed;

an image processor, which receives image data for a plurality of colors including  
black, and forms exposure data; and

a controller, which controls the plurality of light sources according to the  
exposure data formed by the image processor,

wherein the image processor forms different exposure data for image data in  
which black and another color overlap, than for image data of black only, and

~~The color proof forming apparatus of claim 1, wherein the image processor forms the~~  
~~data for different exposure data so that results in a lower density black color than in the~~  
~~case of the image data of only the black color is being generated in [[a]] the color light-~~  
~~sensitive material for the image data in which [[the]] black color and the other colors are~~  
~~overlapped with each other another color overlap, than that generated for the black-only~~  
image data.

4 – 5. (Cancelled).

6. (New) A color proof forming method comprising the steps of:  
receiving image data for a plurality of colors including black;  
forming different exposure data for image data in which black and another color  
overlap than for black-only image data;  
exposing a color light-sensitive material according to the exposure data; and  
forming a color proof comprising

generating a black color on the color light-sensitive material for the black-only exposure data, and

generating a higher density black color on the color light-sensitive material for the black and another color overlap exposure data than the black color generated for the black-only exposure data.

7. (New) A color proof forming method comprising the steps of:  
receiving image data for a plurality of colors including black;  
forming different exposure data for image data in which black and another color overlap than for black-only image data;

exposing a color light-sensitive material according to the exposure data; and  
forming a color proof comprising

generating a black color on the color light-sensitive material for the black-only exposure data, and

generating a lower density black color on the color light-sensitive material for the black and another color overlap exposure data than the black color generated for the black-only exposure data.

8. (New) A color proof forming method comprising the steps of:  
exposing a color light-sensitive material according to exposure data for image data in which black and another color overlap that is different from exposure data for black-only image data; and

forming a color proof comprising

generating a black color on the color light-sensitive material for the black-only exposure data, and

generating a higher density black color on the color light-sensitive material for the black-and-another-color-overlap exposure data than the black color generated for the black-only exposure data.

9. (New) A color proof forming method comprising the steps of:

exposing a color light-sensitive material according to exposure data for image data in which black and another color overlaps that is different from exposure data for black-only image data; and

forming a color proof comprising

generating a black color on the color light-sensitive material for the black-only exposure data, and

generating a lower density black color on the color light-sensitive material for the black-and-another-color-overlap exposure data than the black color generated for the black-only exposure data.